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Attached for filing is the patent application of:

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Entitled: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ANALYZING CAPACITANCE  
OF INSULATOR

and including attachments as noted below:

☒ Newly executed Declaration, ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract  
28 pages of specification and claims (including 7 numbered claims), and  
9 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.

☒ Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned.☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:**Application Number****Country****Day/Month/Year Filed**

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, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..

☒ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.☐ Certified copy(ies) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in prior appln. no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_

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the benefit of Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by  
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Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.

The prior application is assigned to

It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or the  
Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached.

Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee:

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PTO Form 1449 and Cited References

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